

University of Pretoria Yearbook 2023

Research methodology 884 (FBS 884)

Qualification	Postgraduate
Faculty	Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences
Module credits	0.00
NQF Level	09
Programmes	MCom (Financial Management Sciences) (Coursework) MPhil (Finance and Investment) PhD (Finance and Investment)
Prerequisites	Admission to the relevant programme.
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Financial Management
Period of presentation	Year

Module content

An overview of the research process to be followed and the outcomes required of postgraduate students; Foundational research skills for postgraduate students; What is research?; What is a research theory and how can I ensure that my study makes a clear theoretical contribution?; An overview of the structure of a research proposal; Identifying and evaluating possible research topics; Delineating the scope of a study; Writing a literature review; Choosing an appropriate inquiry strategy (research approach) for a study; Writing the research design and methods section of a research proposal.

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